

REMARKS

Applicant would initially like to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4-6, 8, 11, 14-16, 18, 22 and 23.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3, 7, 12-13, and 17 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Huston in view of Whyntie, or alternatively under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Whyntie. Claims 3, 9, 10, 13, 17, and 19-21 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as indefinite. Claims 4-6, 8, 11, and 22-23 have been allowed. Claims 9-10 and 19-21 would be allowed if the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 is overcome. Claims 14-16 and 18 have been objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten into independent form.

Claims 1-23 are now in the application. Claims 1, 9, 14, 17, and 19 have been amended. Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled. Withdrawal of the rejection of pending claims, and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested.

The Examiner has rejected claim 1, and claims 2, 3, and 7 that depend therefrom, under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Huston in view of Whyntie, or alternatively under Whyntie alone. Claim 18, which depends from claim 1, has been indicated as allowable if rewritten into independent form. Claim 1 has accordingly been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 18. In view of the incorporation of allowable subject matter, claims 1-3, and 7 are patentably distinct over the applied art, and allowance thereof is requested.

Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 for lack of antecedent basis for “GPS signals” in line 2 of the claim. The Examiner’s rejection is traversed. Line 2 of claim 3 recites “the GPS signals.” (Emphasis added.) There is accordingly no antecedent basis problem which

requires correction. Withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

The Examiner has rejected claims 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 for informalities in claim 9. Claim 9 has been amended consistent with the Examiner's instructions. In view of the indication of allowable subject matter, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 9 and 10 and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

The Examiner has rejected claims 12 and 13, under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Huston in view of Whyntie, or alternatively under Whyntie alone. Claim 13 has also been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as indefinite. Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled, thereby rendering these specific rejections moot.

Claim 14 has been objected to as being dependent from a rejected base claim (claim 12), but would be allowable if converted into independent form. Claim 14 has accordingly been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 12. In view of the indication of allowable subject matter, withdrawal of the rejection of claim 14 and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

Claims 15 and 16, which depend from claim 14, have also been objected to as being dependent from a rejected base claim (claim 14), but would be allowable if converted into independent form. In view of the indication of allowable subject matter for claim 14, as amended, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 15 and 16 and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

Claim 17 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Huston in view of Whyntie, or alternatively under Whyntie, as well as under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as indefinite for depending from claim 1 as opposed to claim 12. By the present amendment, claim 17 has been

amended to change the dependency from claim 1 to claim 14. This amendment is believed to remove the indefiniteness as well as to overcome the prior art rejection in view of the allowable subject matter in claim 14. Withdrawal of the rejection of claim 17 and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

The Examiner has rejected claims 19- 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 for informalities in claim 19. Claim 19 has been amended consistent with the Examiner's instructions. In view of the indication of allowable subject matter, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 19-21 and allowance of the same is therefore requested.

In view of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

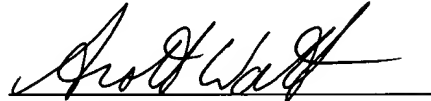
Please note that any amendments to the claims which have been made in this amendment, that have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

If a telephone conference would be of value, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge/credit any fee deficiencies or overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-4293 (Order No. 12492.0027).

Respectfully submitted,

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